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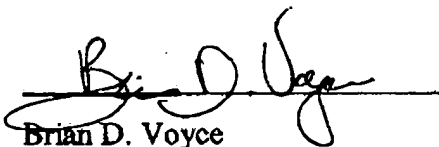
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**ELECTION OF RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In response to the Office Action of February 12, 2003, from the Examiner, please proceed with the examination of Group IV claims.

If the Examiner has any further questions or reservations regarding this Restriction, Applicants request that the Examiner call their attorney at 919-968-6306.

Respectfully Submitted:

  
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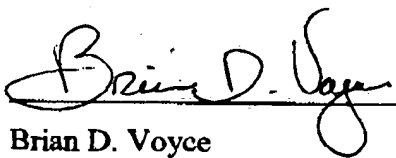
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I, Brian D. Voyce, attorney for Applicants in a utility, non-provisional patent application entitled "*Rapid Methods and Devices for the Detection of Coliform and the Confirmation of e. Coli*", Serial Number 10/058,393, filed January 28, 2002, hereby certifies and declares that the following documents attached hereto, have been sent by facsimile transmission to Art Unit 1651 care of telephone number 703-305-3014, as noted on the Office Action:

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